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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Yoshiki TAKASHIMA, Eiji NITTA, Yuko KOBAYASHI  
METHODS FOR PRODUCING OPTICALLY ACTIVE AMINO ACIDS  
Our Ref. Q58481

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including 29 sheets of the specification, claims, and 0 sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

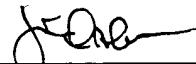
The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>9</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>      \$0.00      </u>
Independent claims	<u>2</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>          </u>	x	\$78.00	=	<u>      \$0.00      </u>
Base Fee									<u>      \$690.00      </u>
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									<b><u>\$690.00</u></b>

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$690.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Priority is claimed from April 5, 1999 based on Japanese Application No. 11-097570. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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